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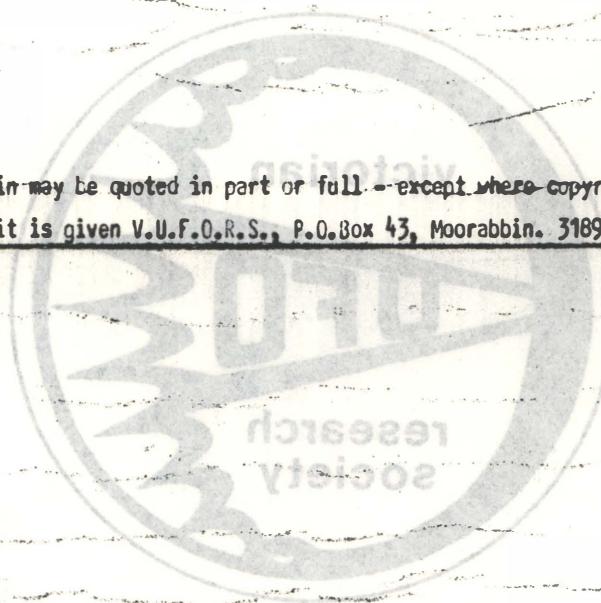
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EDITORIAL

A milestone in the continuing fight by UFO investigators for the official acceptance of the phenomenon has been the recent Freedom of Information (FOI) suit in the United States brought against the CIA and the U.S. Air Force (USAF) by the Citizens Against UFO Secrecy (CAUS).

Already many startling revelations have occurred.

Despite official denials and ridicule of UFO researchers the CIA has been closely investigating and collating UFO reports.

Although most of these reports are known to private UFO research groups it is the first time that they now have confirmation at an official level for many of them. The very fact that there is no official explanation of these events certainly makes the case for acceptance of UFO's very strong indeed.

The CIA files already released, reveal hundreds of well documented, officially investigated sightings. It seems that even if most scientists, politicians and bureaucrats do not admit the possibility of hard core unexplained sightings and wish to suggest the residue after investigation are simply inevitable statistically acceptable error, the CIA and other security agencies are faced with the embarrassing task of explaining away seemingly well attested cases from credible witnesses.

Some of the more interesting cases include -

- * UFO sighting by hundreds of witnesses in Czechoslovakia in 1965.
- * Hundreds of reports of a 1952 flap in North Africa.
- * Many reports, intercepted by the CIA of UFO's within Russia and surrounding countries, including scores of reports along a large portion of the Soviet border.
- * Dozens of sightings by a weather team in the Antarctic in 1965.
- * Sightings by a U.S. Army Geographical team in Northern Iran.

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There is strong evidence that the CIA has been closely monitoring UFO groups throughout the United States and probably in other countries around the world.

Art Gatti, writing in the magazine 'Omni' (june 1979) reveals that the 1952 Scientific Advisory Committee on Unidentified Flying Objects (the 'Robertson Panel') supposedly set up by the USAF, was actually set up by the CIA not the Air Force. The final report by the panel was a debunking of the UFO phenomenon and a complete deception of the public.

Gatti notes that J. Allen Hynek was an advisor to that panel. He also notes that Brad Ayers who is one of Hynek's investigators was a well known CIA identity in the 1960's.

Released 1976 documents suggest that someone connected with the Centre for UFO Studies has been feeding information directly to the CIA. These revelations have caused shock waves throughout the UFO investigative scene particularly since many UFO research societies around the world have been sending reports to the Centre for UFO Studies in good faith often with very little reciprocation.

What is now imperative for Australia is an effective Freedom of Information Act and a pressure group as resolute as The Citizens Against UFO Secrecy and then who knows what revelations lie in store for us.

Doug McCann.

THE NEW ZEALAND U.F.O. FILM

FLIGHT SOUTH

Dr. Bruce Maccabee, the photographic physicist, in charge of the N.Z. UFO film analysis has given VUFORS a full report of that outstanding event. After being reviewed by many scientists in the United States, the French Government is now taking interest and are in the process of analysis.

The Bulletin begins the report with the permission of Dr. Maccabee on his important investigations.

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(Note : all miles are nautical and times are local D.S.T.)

At 11.46 pm on December 30, 1978, a four-engine turbo prop Argosy freighter left Wellington, N.Z. on a standard Saturday evening-Sunday morning newspaper delivery run, from Blenheim N.Z., to Wellington to Christchurch, and then back to Blenheim. Aboard the aircraft were the pilot Captain Bill Startup, the co-pilot Robert Guard, the Australian news reporter, Quentin Fogarty, and a film crew which consisted of the cameraman, David Crockett, and his wife, Ngaire, who operated the tape recorder.

The reporter and film crew had been commissioned by a Melbourne TV station to fly to Christchurch to obtain film footage for use in a news story about a previous UFO sighting that had been made by pilots on a similar aircraft flight. During the flight south the pilot and co-pilot observed lights that were first seen in the direction of Kaikoura, from a point just southeast of Cape Campbell. Coincidentally, Wellington radar picked up and reported targets which were in the vicinity of the plane. It appears that at least two, and perhaps several, of these anomalous radar targets were observed by the passengers on the plane.

The cameraman obtained 16 mm footage of the inside of the plane, the lights of Kaikoura, and of anomalous bright objects that were seen occasionally in the 12.00 to 3.00 (front to rightside) quadrant with respect to the direction of travel. The reporter recorded on-the-spot comments and descriptions and occasionally referred to statements made by Wellington Air Traffic Control (ATC). The anomalous lights seen on the trip south were observed to be mainly in the direction of Kaikoura or ahead of the plane, except for one, which was seen off the right wing after the plane was south of Kaikoura.

Radar targets that were reported to the plane by the Wellington ATC within about 20 miles of the plane as it travelled from a point just south of Cape Campbell to a point about 57 miles Northeast of Christchurch. The airplane radar was not used on the flight south.

One particularly interesting sequence of events involving Wellington ACT occurred just after the plane had turned toward Christchurch at a non-geographic reporting point called "Kaikoura East". The plane had shifted to the Christchurch communication frequency when Wellington saw a target appear behind the plane about one or two miles. Wellington told the Christchurch controller, who asked the plane to shift back to the Wellington frequency. Wellington then told the plane that the target was about four miles behind them. About half a minute later Wellington said there was a further target about four miles to the right of the plane. About 45 seconds after that Wellington told the plane that something was

flying in formation with it. The plane and the unidentified target flew side by side for at least half a minute, after which the radar target reduced to that of the plane alone. About a minute later the plane contacted Wellington and reported a "target", which was a flashing light, at the right of and falling behind the airplane. Wellington agreed that there was a target at the right of the plane that was drifting behind as the plane moved forward.

The plane landed at Christchurch N.Z. at 1.01 am December 31. While newspapers were being unloaded the crew discussed the sightings with the Christchurch radar operator, who described to the crew an anomalous target that was not particularly impressive to him. In order to obtain more film footage, Crockett & Fogarty decided to fly back to blenheim. One of the passengers, the wife of the cameraman, decided not to make the return flight and her place was taken by a reporter from Christchurch, Dennis Grant, a personal friend of the Australian reporter (the only person involved that the Australian reported had known before the flight).

FLIGHT NORTH

The plane left Christchurch on its flight north to Blenheim at 2.16 am. About 3 minutes later, as the plane climbed through a low cloud cover, the pilot, co-pilot, and cameraman, who were all in the cockpit at the time, observed a bright yellow/white/orange light apparently at about their level, which would appear and disappear through the tops of the clouds. It was between 10 and 30 degrees to the right of the aircraft, which was flying northeast. This light was pointed out to the two reporters who arrived in the cockpit several minutes after the takeoff. The captain obtained a strong return from his radar which was operated in its "mapping mode". The size of the radar "blip" was estimated by the flight crew to have been 3 to 5 times larger than the blip from a large fishing boat.

The flight crew and the Christchurch reporter, who had a good view of the radar display and of the object, repeatedly compared the direction of the bright light with that of the target as indicated by the azimuth markers on the radar screen. They assured themselves that the radar target and the bright light were in the same direction. The radar distance was initially 18-20 miles. As the plane proceeded along a straight northeasterly path and climbed to its cruising altitude, the distance to the bright light gradually decreased, as indicated by the radar, and the sighting line tended to move around to the right.

By the time the plane was about 11 minutes (32 miles) out of Christchurch at an altitude of 11,500 ft. the bright light was about 70 to 90 degrees to the right of the aircraft (southeast of the aircraft) and about 12 miles away and no longer on the plane radar. All observers agreed that the object appeared to be at a lower altitude than the aircraft, with depression angles below horizontal estimated to be between 5 degrees and 30 degrees. The radar in the map mode could only pick up targets with depression angles between about 3° and 15° below the centerline of the aircraft.

The cameraman obtained several minutes of film out of the far right-hand cockpit window during this period. Images on the film range from yellowish white elliptical shapes with reddish fringes to over-exposed, nearly triangular and circular shapes. He also obtained several feet of film showing a cockpit meter just below the image of the bright light.

At about 12-13 minutes (35-38 miles) out of Christchurch the plane reached 13 thousand feet and a speed of 215 knots. At this time the flight crew decided to turn to the right toward the bright light. As the plane turned, the sighting line to the object moved toward the front of the aircraft, but even after a turn of about 90 degrees, the object was not directly ahead of the aircraft, as if the object had moved to the right. The captain proceeded in a straight line along a southeast heading and again the sighting line to the object moved from nearly directly ahead toward 90 degrees to the right as the plane flew. The depression angle below horizontal was apparently very noticeable at this time. The object was not picked up on radar after the turn, even though the object was nearly ahead of the aircraft immediately after the turn, which suggests that the depression angle was greater than 15 degrees. After travelling on this new heading for 1 or 2 minutes, the captain began a turn to the left back toward his original flight path, at which time the light was observed to move quickly to the left-front and above the aircraft and then to the left and down and apparently below the aircraft. The object was not seen again after the plane completed its left turn.

During the time that this object was seen by the plane passengers, it was not seen on the Christchurch or Wellington radars. This may have been because it was too low to be picked up by either radar and/or because it was a weak target for 50cm radar.

After the aircraft gained its original course and approached a point south-east of Kaikoura, Wellington control tower again began to call the attention of the flight crew to anomalous targets which were within 20 miles of the plane as it travelled toward Cape Campbell. Occasionally, unusual bright lights were visible in the directions indicated by the Wellington control, and in at least one instance the plane radar picked up a target that appeared to the captain to be in the same position as that indicated by Wellington control. There were also apparently temporal coincidences between appearances and disappearances of visual and radar objects.

One particularly bright object that was seen as the plane approached Cape Campbell was photographed by the cameraman. The film shows a bright light which alternates in a regular, cyclic manner from bright white to dim red and orange. It apparently travelled in a series of loops, described as "rolling and tumbling" by the reporter.

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DIRECTLY SPEAKING

By William H. Spaulding, Director GSW/WD
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On Friday evening, January 12, 1979, GSW held its seventh annual public lecture in Phoenix. It's no big secret to the public or to the UFO community that GSW provides a UFO update lecture each year. But something different happened this year, something so drastic that it affected our organization in such a manner that it will never again be the same.

As all of our membership realizes, this year's presentation highlighted the December 15, 1978 release of UFO materials to our lawyers as a result of the successful endeavors of the lawsuit against the CIA. The pre-lecture publicity here in Phoenix was exceptional, as is the usual situation, and this year's presentation was attended by the normal high volume of Phoenix-based media representatives, as well as a few reporters from the national scene. One of the reporters attending the lecture represented the New York Times. This reporter put together a well-written article and sent the same to New York.

By the following Sunday the world knew what the one thousand individuals attending the lecture knew. The phones started ringing and continued doing so for the next three weeks - both day and night. The media response to qualifiable evidence of a government cover up and to a first-of-a-kind successful law suit on the UFO situation was overwhelming.

Without exaggeration, Todd Zechel and I handled over 200 inquiries from both the print and electronic media. Everyone, including the foreign countries, were interested in an interview and the type of data received from our legal action. The strangest thing to me was the high interest shown in the NORAD 1975 overflight sightings and the IRAN 1976 jet/UFO sighting which was "old" news to all UFO researchers. These stories were previously presented by Todd Zechel. Apparently the stories had only made local papers/radio stations, and somehow were considered "recent" news by the reporters. But such is the way of life in the world of ufology.

Regardless, the impact has been great, the news coverage fantastic, and I believe the story of the law suit has added a lot of credibility to the subject of UFO's. I further believe that all of ufology has benefited by receiving publicity and a favorable nod from the public, who now realize that not all ufologists are going around the country looking for little green men. There is a serious UFO movement and all of us at the GSW staff level are proud to be associated with such a fine group of members - members who helped us both morally and financially. My deepest appreciation goes to Todd Zechel and Peter Gersten. If not for them, none of this would have happened.

What's in the future? Hopefully more of the same, but it will require additional sacrifice in order to continue on to a meaningful conclusion. Ultimately, that conclusion will be the release of all pertinent UFO materials held by the government. Although funding is currently coming from the sale of released government documents, some contributions, UFO photographs and my lecture tour, these funds are not enough to meet the costs of our endeavors. I have asked Peter Gersten (of the Rothblatt, Rothblatt, Seijas, and Peskin law firm) to hold up on any further

legal action until we can financially regroup. It would be totally unfair to Mr. Gersten to ask him to invest additional hours and dollars of his own as he has done in the past. GSW is currently making large changes in its organizational structure, changes that will hopefully bring in the necessary dollars for all of our needs. We have assigned two GSW members, who have past experience in fund raising, to head up a committee on this subject.

GSW has also formed a coalition with the organization, Citizens Against UFO Secrecy (CAUS), so that the problem of UFO document retrieval and interpretation can better be handled. Existing within the CAUS organization are some of the best experts in ufology to analyze the most obscure UFO documents. A coalition will also have other advantages. It will allow GSW additional time to get back to the more technical side of researching. We are years overdue in releasing technical papers, months behind in photographic analysis, and lagging in field investigations. Over all, we believe this type of move will increase the exchange of data, distribute manpower with greater efficiency and accomplish more of our goals with the available time base.

Todd Zechel, who serves in the dual role of Director of CAUS and GSW's Director of Research, assures me that every effort will be made to meet all of these objectives. With co-operation being the word, I urge all GSW members to work with these goals in mind and give Todd the support he needs. GSW strongly recommends that all members purchase the CAUS newsletter, published monthly. The monies made here will support our joint efforts.

CIA RELEASES DOCUMENTS - GSW PREVAILS IN FOIA LAWSUIT

By T. Zechel - GSW Director of Research
- Director of CAUS, Inc.

As a result of a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) lawsuit originally filed in September 1977 by Ground Saucer Watch (GSW), the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) has released approximately 900 pages of its own UFO-related files and forwarded nearly 200 additional documents back to the originating agencies in the Department of Defense, the National Security Agency, and the State Department for clearance.

The material from the CIA's files was released on Dec. 15, 1978, in accordance with a court-ordered stipulation filed in U.S. District Court, Washington, D.C. The stipulation, which was made a court order by U.S. Judge John Pratt on Sept. 18, 1978, granted the Agency 90 days to search 41 of its components specified by GSW.

In the course of its alleged search, the CIA evidently located the documents it sent back to the originating agencies. This material seems to consist of around 700 or more pages, and it is being released on a document-by-document basis, as each is declassified and cleared.

According to the covering letter of U.S. Attorney William Briggs, the CIA returned the following UFO documents to the originators : Air Force - 76; Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA) - 19; Army - 30; Navy - 11; State Department - 40; and National Security Agency (NSA) - 18.

VICTORY FOR GSW

The release of the CIA material represents a total victory for GSW, in that the suit initially sought the release of five documents related to the CIA's contact with former Marine Ralph Mayher. In March 1976 the agency admitted having five Mayher documents, but said it could only release two, with about 70% of each deleted in accordance with exemptions (b) (1) - related to classified information and (b) (3) - related to revealing intelligence sources and methods. The remaining three documents could not be released at all, said the CIA, in accordance with the same exemptions.

Furthermore, the CIA's 1976 covering letter to GSW Director Bill Spaulding said: "At no time prior to the formation of the Robertson Panel (Jan. '53) and at no time subsequent to the issuance of the Panel's report has the CIA engaged in the study of the UFO phenomena. The Robertson Panel Report is summation of the Agency's interest and involvement in this matter (UFOs)".

Although the CIA had refused to declassify the Mayher documents and thereby forced GSW to file an FOIA lawsuit, the entire five documents were released on Dec. 15th with only minor deletions. This, alone, would mean that GSW has prevailed - i.e. forced the sought-after documents to be released, and without even presenting an argument to the court. Seemingly, therefore, the CIA's original claimed exemptions were arbitrary and capricious, and the Agency apparently felt its claims would be easily defeated in court- which is what GSW representatives have contended all along.

The GSW victory is further attested to by the release of nearly 900 pages of UFO material the CIA denied having. Or, in the words of an Omni magazine columnist, "hypothetical, alleged secret UFO files". These documents belie the CIA's oft-repeated claims of non-involvement with UFO'S.

To be continued....

"THE EVIDENCE WILL SPEAK FOR ITSELF".

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THE ANDREASSON AFFAIR ...

The documented investigation of a woman's claim that she was abducted by a UFO.

Like millions of other American moms, Betty Andreasson is a dedicated homemaker, a soap opera fan and the family expert on the latest prices of everything from carrots to clothing. The one thing that makes her different from the other moms is that Betty, a petite, attractive mother of seven, is the subject of a remarkable new book in which she claims to have been abducted by a UFO and taken to an alien planet.

Her astonishing story, which, she is the first to admit, many people will find hard to believe, has been closely scrutinized by leading psychologists and psychiatrists. She has undergone months of extensive tests, including interrogation under hypnosis and lie-detector examinations, to prove she was neither a hoaxer nor mentally unstable - and all her examiners arrived at the same conclusion : Betty Andreasson is telling the truth.

"All I can say is it really happened. It really did", said Betty, whose unforgettable experience is now the subject of a new book .. "The Andreasson Affair" (Prentice Hall, \$8.95) written by UFO investigator Raymond Fowler and being serialized exclusively in "The Star". Sitting in the comfortably-furnished living room of her typical New England clapboard house with her second husband Bob, Mrs. Andreasson, whose account of what happened came out while she was under deep hypnosis.

"Halfway through the sessions I told one of the investigators. 'I don't know if I want to go on with this. It's getting too strange', she said. "The only reason I carried on was because he told me my story coincided with other accounts of UFO abductions that had never been published. At the end of the sessions, the investigators asked me if I would take a lie-detector test. I knew they were concerned that I would think they didn't believe me, and to be frank, that's exactly what I thought. But then I said to myself: 'What if somehow you are subconsciously lying and you are sick in some way?' I knew the only way to find out was through a lie-detector. I realized that if I didn't pass the test, I would need medical help. There was no doubt in my mind that the things I remembered without the aid of hypnosis - the alien beings actually coming into my home - were real. I had no doubts about that at all. I remembered that part all too clearly. It was the things that were coming out under hypnosis. They all seemed like science fiction and I was scared. So I decided the only way to find out if I was sick or not was to take the lie-detector test. When I passed it, I just felt good knowing that I was telling the truth".

Mrs. Andreasson insists that before the alleged visit by the beings from outer space, she saw no movies or television programs, and read no books, that could have influenced her subconscious to bring out the memories that it did.

"Then I read an advertisement in a local newspaper in which Dr. J. Alan Hynek was requesting information on UFO experiences. My brief memories of first seeing the aliens troubled me. I didn't know what to do. I didn't know what it all meant. When I wrote to Dr. Hynek, I felt a great weight had been lifted from my mind. At last, I thought, I will find out the truth". It was Mrs. Andreasson's letter that led to the subsequent hypnosis sessions. She insists that before the alleged incident, which occurred in 1967, she had no interest in UFO's. "I know there will be many people who won't accept what is in the book. I don't blame them because it is difficult to believe such a thing. All I can say is it really happened".

Mrs. Andreasson's main concern is that ridicule might be heaped on her children, particularly her two youngest daughters who are still at school. For that reason, the exact location of her home is being kept secret. She decided to go ahead and co-operate in the preparation of the book, however, in the hope that it would generate interest in close encounters of the third kind and encourage others who have had similar experiences to come forward with their stories.

"The only way we can find out what is going on is by the dissemination of information".

Betty Andreasson, her seven children and her parents had eaten an early supper and were watching TV, when suddenly all the lights in the house went out. It was the start of what Mrs. Andreasson claims was her abduction by a UFO which took her on an incredible journey to an alien planet. According to her testimony, given to a team of UFO investigators while she was in a hypnotic trance, after the house was plunged into darkness she saw a pink pulsating light through the kitchen window.

"I said to the children: 'Be quiet, get in the living room and whatever it is will go away'".

But instead of going away, the light grew brighter and she watched incredulously as four small, humanoid creatures came through the kitchen door, passing through the solid wood as if it didn't exist. They were about 3 ft. tall, except the leader, who was a few inches taller. Apart from that, they were identical. They had gray, clay-like skins and large, outsized pear-shaped heads. There were small holes in place of their noses and ears and their eyes were large and catlike. They wore shiny, dark blue form-fitting uniforms, and each left sleeve was adorned with an emblem resembling a large bird. Their three-fingered hands were gloved.

'Speaking' through thought transference, the leader identified himself as 'Quazgaa' and addressed Mrs. Andreasson by her first name. An aura of friendliness emanated from the aliens, she told the investigators, so that she was not afraid of them. She even started to cook them a meal, but they told her: "Our food is tried by fire; knowledge tried by fire. Do you have any food like that?". A deeply-religious person, Mrs. Andreasson replied: "Yes, I think so".

She went into the living room and the aliens followed her. There, she saw all her family frozen in what seemed to be suspended animation. "I glanced down and picked up the Bible that was on the end table, then I turned and passed it to the leader. The leader passed me a little thin blue book in exchange". Then, according to her testimony, the leader passed his hand over the Bible and, amazingly, more Bibles appeared, as though he was reproducing them. He handed these extra Bibles to his colleagues.

When Mrs. Andreasson asked Quazgaa what he and the others were doing in her house, he replied: "We have come to help you. Will you help us?". They asked her to go with them and eventually she reluctantly agreed. Incredibly, she reported, when she stepped behind the alien leader she found herself floating, as though in a void, a few inches above the floor.

She then followed Quazgaa through the kitchen door to the yard outside. "I was going through the same door, the wood, that they were" she said. Once outside, she was greeted by the sight of the aliens' craft, which she described as a silvery-gold oval object standing on adjustable struts. The party, according to Mrs. Andreasson, then entered the craft. She related how she was left alone in a room within the craft, shaped like a "quarter bubble", while the aliens conferred together.

She was then taken to another room, where she was placed under a cleansing machine which immersed her in a brilliant white light. Reliving her experience under hypnosis, she told the investigators: "The light is getting brighter and brighter - like I'm engulfed in light. It doesn't seem to hurt. It's not hot". After that, Mrs. Andreasson was taken to another room where she was told to go into a cubicle and change from her everyday clothes into a white robe. "It had a silver clasp at the neck. It had slits in both sides and a little slit in the back. But the front was kind of wide open, so I sort of wrapped it around me", she recalled. She was then led to a large, dome-shaped room containing what appeared to be an operating table. It was here that she was to go through some of the most horrifying moments of her out-of-this-world experience.

She told the investigators how she was laid on the operating table. Quazgaa came into the room dressed in a silver suit, and inserted a needlelike probe up her left nostril and into her head. Under hypnosis, Mrs. Andreasson's face distorted with pain as she said "He's putting that thing in my nose, and it's going up and it's breaking through something. I don't like it. Oh, I can't move. It's hurting. He has that thing up in my head". Eventually, the alien withdrew the probe and to her amazement she saw there was a small ball on the end of it that had not been there before. Later, she would come to the conclusion that this was not her first abduction by a UFO, but her second, and that the tiny ball had been placed in her head during the first abduction.

She had barely recovered from the nostril probe ordeal when Quazgaa took another probe and inserted it in her navel. "I can feel them moving that thing around in my stomach", she said. "They've stopped. Now he's talking with the others. Something about something missing...missing parts. He's pushing that probe again. I don't like this". The investigators watched tensely as she started sobbing and then shouting: "I don't want any more tests! Get this thing out of me!"

She then sensed, rather than heard, a conversation between the aliens. "The others wanted to run more tests, but Quazgaa was objecting". Mrs. Andreasson protested once again that she didn't want any more tests, but Quazgaa reassured her: "These things won't hurt you. Just lie still - very still". Then, she reported, her eyes caught a movement from above, and she stiffened. She saw some kind of mechanism emerge from the center of the domed ceiling and slowly descend towards her.

"It's like a big eye of some kind, maybe like a lens" she said. "It's moving down, all the way down to my stomach. At least it doesn't hurt". After a short while, the 'lens' was raised. "See, that didn't hurt, did it?" she said Quazgaa asked her. "No, but the other things did" she replied. During this time, she explained, although no physical restraints were used, an invisible force held her to the operating table and she was unable to move.

When the examination was completed, she was allowed to put her own clothes back on before being led to yet another room, cylindrical in shape and containing four chairs made of a clear, plastic-like substance. As she sat in one of the chairs at the aliens' bidding, a transparent enclosure came down around her, trapping her there. "I hope I can breathe in here" she said under hypnosis. "There seems to be air. I feel so cold. I feel I'm going to be knocked out from it. It feels like they're putting something cold in there. It feels like moisture is even being drawn from me. The moisture is coming right out of me". She could not remember how long she had remained trapped in the chair, only that it seemed a long time. Then the enclosure was raised and, still in a sitting position, she floated from the chair to another one at the beckoning of the aliens.

"Somehow the chamber is sort of weightless, because they just beckon me and I'm lifting up" she said. "They're directing me over to the other side, where there are chairs similiar to this. And I'm sitting down again. "They're telling me that there are three tubes - that they are going to put liquid in here with me in it".

Another canopy came down over Mrs. Andreasson and the aliens inserted one tube in her mouth and the other two in each nostril. A gray liquid then started pouring into the sealed chair. The liquid, she said, had a soothing effect on her and she was breathing air through the tubes. She felt during this time that she was being transported somewhere; that the liquid was to protect her against the effects of space travel.

After a while, the liquid was drained from the chair and she was taken from the craft to a tunnel which, she claimed, would lead her to a strange, alien land.

Part 2 from "The Star"

Although Betty Andreasson's story of being abducted had been told, the Andreasson affair was far from over.

But what happened at the next hypnosis session amazed and perplexed even Betty. She was taken back in time by the hypnotist to the point in her story where she had been returned to her home by the aliens. The investigators wanted to know if the aliens had left any messages before they departed. Mrs. Andreasson was asked if she could reveal any predictions for the future that the aliens had given her.

Her face became contorted as she replied haltingly: "They-have-things-in-control. They-have-powers. They-can-make-you-think-one-thing-and-yet-mean-another. I don't like them controlling my words!" Then she said she felt her hands and feet were being restrained, as they had been when she was on the examination table in the alien craft.

Then she revealed to the startled investigators that aliens had caused the big New York blackout of 1977 in order to "reveal to man his true nature". Asked what that nature was, she replied: "Man seeks to destroy himself. Greed, greed, greed, greed. And because of greed, it draws all foul things. "Everything has been provided for man. Simple things. He could be advanced so far, but greed gets in the way".

She again appeared to be under the control of another force as she spoke haltingly about how man overlooked the simple things around him: "air you breathe - water you drink - fire that warms earth - that heals".

The investigators now began directing their questions to the aliens rather than Mrs. Andreasson. Asked if they were willing to help man, one alien replied: "You would not have gotten this far, nor gained this much information, had we not desired to help you". The alien identified itself as Andantio and told the investigators that being from 70 planets periodically visited earth.

Mrs. Andreasson, who had previously divorced her first husband, moved to Florida when the hypnosis sessions ended. There, she was to find love - and tragedy. Through a friend, she met a man named Bob, who claimed that he, too, had been abducted by a UFO. The two subsequently married, but before that Mrs. Andreasson had a weird and frightening experience. "Bob was talking to me on the phone when suddenly we were interrupted by a voice, and I knew right away it was them" she said. "I understood that they were speaking to us. They just started talking, and Bob was quiet and I was quiet."

They were sort of off in the distance. I asked them to speak louder to let Bob hear it. Then I started getting very nervous and upset, and I wanted to cry because they said something about 'it is done', and 'it is finished' ".

The aliens, she felt, were very angry and the phone call left her with a terrible sense of foreboding. Twenty-four hours later, two of Mrs. Andreasson's sons - James, 21, and Todd, 17, - were killed in an automobile accident. Mrs. Andreasson was convinced the alien voice on the phone was that of a fallen or evil alien who had hinted at, and possibly caused, the tragic deaths of her sons. She felt that because of her decision to help the alien leader Quazgaa and his companions, she was caught in the middle of a galactic battle between good and evil. Previously, when under the control of Andantio during hypnosis, Mrs. Andreasson had said that of the 70 alien races visiting earth, only one was unfriendly.

Qquzgaa had told her : "We are coming to the earth. Man is going to fear because of it. We love the human race. We have come to help the human race".

Commenting on Mrs. Andreasson's testimony, author Raymond Fowler said : "Betty has commented that she feels like a loaded bomb.

"Others like her may exist, primed subconsciously with knowledge and messages from an extraterrestrial civilization. For Betty and many others like her from all over the world, the appointed time could be arriving. What would happen if this information dam were to burst into the conscious minds of thousands of people all over the planet? What would it accomplish? Could it perhaps be mankind's final conditioning process prior to the greatest Close Encounter of the Third Kind of all time - overt alien contact with all the peoples of this planet earth?

"Are such speculations too extreme? he asked.

"Possibly, but what we definitely need is proof. The process of trying to verify evidence has been carried further in the Andreasson case than in any previous Close Encounter. If the evidence falls short of being conclusive, it nevertheless comes so disturbingly close that it would be foolish for us not to do everything in our power to search for more and better data".

"The results are conclusive ... she is telling the truth".

After hearing Betty Andreasson's amazing story, which she revealed under hypnosis, investigators put the New England housewife through months of tests. She underwent a painstaking inquiry into her character and background, a thorough examination by a psychiatrist and a gruelling session with the most sophisticated form of lie-detector.

And she came through all three ordeals with flying colors.

First, the investigators questioned friends, neighbors, church ministers and business associates. They described her as a good neighbor, very stable, honest, hard-working, dependable, a good mother and dedicated home maker.

Said author Fowler: "Each witness questioned had no reason to doubt her integrity". Then Mrs. Andreasson submitted voluntarily to a psychiatrist's examination. Said Fowler: "The doctor found no symptoms of active thought disorders or active psychiatric problems. He concluded that she believed in the reality of her experience".

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Finally, came the most stringent test of all, and one of the main tools employed in establishing Mrs. Andreasson's credibility - the Psychological Stress Evaluator (PSE), a device that measures otherwise undetectable muscle tremors from the larynx. The PSE test was conducted by Ernest Reid, a certified stress analyst, who concluded that Mrs. Andreasson was telling the truth.

Reid added : "It is extremely unusual that we would render an opinion as definitive as we would in this particular instance. In the opinion of this analyst, the results are conclusive".

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by Raymond E. Fowler.

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NIGHT SIGHTING IN GUIPUZCOA (SPAIN) -

Translated by A. Nasi from the Spanish book "Stendek".

Night of the 11th and 12th September 1977.
Place -- the road between Hernani and Astigarraga. Time - from 2.30 am - 2.45 am in the early morning of the 12th September.

About the witness ... Name: Mr. E.G. Age: 35 years. Profession: during the mornings he works as an administrator in theS.A. works-shop in San Sebastian; in the afternoons as trainer for athletics at the club of From a brief interview (30 mins), the interviewer got the distinct impression that Mr. E.G. is an open, serious and responsible person. Mr. E.G. does not wish any publicity.

Summary of the facts

On the 11th Sept. there had been a sporting event in Hernani. After the event there had been a banquet which protracted itself late into the night. The witness and some of his friends had carried in their cars some of the girls that had participated in the sport. The witness and his friends had just finished drinking some beer. It was now 2.30 am of the 12th. E.G. decided to go back home in Astigarraga which is 3 Km from Hernani. He was driving his car a SIMCA 1200.

He was passing in front of a service station called Caravel, which is located not very far from the centre of the town. Exactly at the first curve that exists past the station Caravel in the direction of Astigarraga, "lowered from the sky a tremendous, frightful light". (Came down from the sky) would be better. The witness E.G. continues ..."I saw that a very potent (strong) light was descending from the sky; it had the apparent size of the moon and was without any distinctive aspect. The light was totally white and round...it was a light of fire, very well round...it did not have any other shape. I saw only the light ..of totally white colour...like that of the moon only a lot stronger, almost like that of the sun, a little bit less...it was nearly impossible to look straight at it. The object lowered itself, to a height that I cannot exactly guess, but that was fairly low. I could clearly see that it was following me.

I thought for a start that it was the reflection of something else. I held the steering wheel with my left hand, I lowered the glass of the right hand door to see if it was a reflection of something else coming from my side...I put my head almost outside...the light was up in the air. After the curve where the light first appeared, the road is full of trees. I still could see it through them...it was still 'on top of me'.

A kilometre away from this point there is a very big curve, where is located also the Gomaytex factory. I was very nervous in seeing that the 'thing' was following me continuously. I told myself: if that thing is a star or a contrivance of some sort or whatever it was, when I take the curve, it surely will continue on its way and will cease to follow me. Instead, what do you think? it veered and followed me totally keeping always the same altitude. Then what I did was to accelerate and to slow down to see if I could lose the object....but it didn't work, it matched exactly my every move and continued to follow me at my exact speed.

On reaching my house in Astigarraga I stopped a moment to see if I could find somebody around ... there was no one, only a dog; I remember perfectly about it. I went once around the house and the object followed me...I walked a bit about and still it kept following me".

At this point the witness feels the necessity that someone else should see what he is seeing so that there would be another witness beside himself. For this reason he went once around the entire block always followed by the object, he found nobody .

"I went to my house and called out to my wife to come out to see what was going on. I told her what was happening. She wouldn't budge. She was in bed and did not want to get out. She yelled for me to stop talking to her. I looked three times out to the street and on my second time the 'queer thing' already was still in mid-air in a much higher position than when it was following me. The first time I looked out to it, it was still a single big and very bright light...but on the third time (as well as on the second), it had transformed itself....it had two lights - red and green. I cannot remember if the one on top was the red one and the one below it was the green one...or if it was the other way around. They were red and green. Both lights were placed on the left side of the object. I insistently called out to my wife to come and see it....but she would not move..not even for God. Next day I enquired here and there to see if somebody else had seen the thing but no one of my friends had seen anything. I asked them if they thought I had been drunk when I left Hernany after the sports and after we had those few beers, the answer was a very firm 'no'."

On one of those look-outs, E.G. had got hold of his camera with the intention of taking a picture but there was no film in the camera. On the third time he had his binoculars and tried to look through them but could not see the object. That was also the time in which the 'queer thing' disappeared. The manner and direction in which the object disappeared is not known to the witness, because he missed it while he was trying to look at it through his binoculars.

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Letter to the Editor:

I would like to clarify a few points made by Frank Gillespie in the latest newsletter put out by UFO Research (SA) Inc. I understand that most UFO periodicals gradually find their way around the country and into the hands of other groups, so I'm hoping that what I have to say will correct the inaccuracies in Frank's report.

I have no desire to begin sniping away at UFO groups as I believe they perform an important and largely thankless task in the community. However, it does concern me when such a group, or an individual in this case, falls into the same trap as the debunkers and goes into print without having access to all the information.

Frank makes the point that because the conversations on the plane (my taped commentary) and the radio messages (between the plane and the radar operators at Wellington) cannot be synchronised to the film, then "it is not possible to correlate with certainty a particular film sequence with particular comments and events." Although this is true in some respects, I should point out that Dr. Bruce Maccabee made an exhaustive and detailed study of my commentary and the radio messages, and from long interviews he did with everyone onboard the plane he was able to correlate a major part of my commentary with the radar tapes, and he was also able to relate this to segments of the film. There isn't the space here to tell you how he went about this, but I'm sure that when his full investigation is published you will see exactly what I mean.

Frank also accuses Dr. Macabee of making "two glaring errors" in his analysis of the film. I can only repeat that if Frank had had access to all the information then he wouldn't have come out with such a declaration. As he should well know, it is an extremely dangerous practice to make such dogmatic statements without having access to all the data. When he finally reads what Maccabee has to say about the "big orange thing bouncing around" and the "smaller, cleaner edged images", he will probably wish he had waited a little longer before rushing into print.

I can't really comment on the television news item that went to air in Adelaide on March 15 as I wasn't there and I didn't see it - However, some of Frank's claims do need clarification. He says that a number of alleged computer blow-ups shown on the screen had all the characteristics of normal enlargements and he says he doubts that computer enhancement would achieve anything in this case anyway because "the photography is so poor."

Maybe what he saw on screen were ~~normal~~ enlargements, but I can assure him that a number of computer enhancements were done with the original film and the results, contrary to his pessimism, were quite remarkable. I know that some of those enhanced colour prints have been shown on television in Melbourne and Sydney and I can only assume that the item shown in Adelaide was either re-scripted or re-edited for some reason and the commentary didn't match what was shown. It might also be the case that because the computer enhanced prints were so good and clear that Frank mistook them for normal enlargements. I did have some black and white copies of those prints with me at UFOCON 4 in Sydney and I showed them to a number of delegates. It's a pity that Frank didn't bother to see them as they totally destroy his false assumption that computer enhancement would not have achieved anything in this case. It did. I seem to have spent all my time of late correcting mis-reporting, false statements, and fictionalised accounts of the December 31 sightings. I make only one plea to those who want to leap into print about the case... please wait until you have read Maccabee's findings in full.

From QUENTIN FOGARTY.

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GENERAL MEETING

December 12th - National Mutual Theatrette - cnr Collins and Williams Sts. Melbourne. - 8 p.m.

If you saw Kevin Arnett's segments of NASA films on TV, you may be pleased to view the complete films at our General Meeting. Come along and hear his comments on the films and of the incredible plans for the future use of space.

MEMBERS: PLEASE BRING YOUR MEMBERSHIP CARDS as there is to be a donation at the door of \$1 for members and \$2 non-members.

At this meeting we will be presenting the \$10 awards to the two best projects submitted to the Society.

ANNUAL ELECTIONS:

If you desire any alterations to your committee, we suggest you submit your nominations, to be signed by the proposer and the nominee, to arrive in the hands of the Secretary not later than seven (7) days prior to the General Meeting.

BULLETIN:

As you can see, we are - at least on this occasion - cutting costs by non-use of envelopes. We would be interested to learn from members how their Bulletin fares in the mail, if it arrives at its destination in tatters, we may need to revert to envelopes once again.

THIS WILL BE THE LAST BULLETIN BEFORE CHRISTMAS, SO VUFORS COMMITTEE TAKES THE OPPORTUNITY OF WISHING ALL MEMBERS A HAPPY, HEALTHY AND SAFE FESTIVE SEASON AND WE'LL GREET YOU AGAIN IN 1980.

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